

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE: : Bankruptcy No. 19-20470-GLT
James E. Skiff, :
Debtor : Chapter No. 13
: :
Paul W. McElrath, Esquire / : Related to Docket No. 69
McElrath Legal Holdings, LLC, :
Applicant :
vs. : Hearing Date and Time:
Ronda J. Winnecour, Esquire, : August 24, 2022 at 10:00 AM
Chapter 13 Trustee, :
Respondent :
:

ORDER

This matter is before the Court upon the *Application for Compensation* [Docket No. 69] (the “Application”) filed by Paul W. McElrath, Esquire of McElrath Legal Holdings, LLC. Upon review of the *Application* and finding that no timely responses or objections were filed, it is hereby **ORDERED, ADJUDGED, and DECREED** that:

1. The *Application* is granted in the amount of \$5,680.50 for fees and expenses incurred during the period of February 1, 2019 through July 19, 2022 (inclusive of projected time to close the case), consisting of fees in the amount of \$5,180.50, and expenses in the amount of \$500.00.
2. The Debtor previously paid counsel an expense retainer of \$500 from which out-of-pocket expenses could be paid during the case. The residual balance of the expense retainer is \$0.00.
3. Previously, counsel was paid the “no look” fee of \$4,000 for services rendered in the case. A portion of the “no look” fee was paid by the Debtor as a prepetition retainer in the amount of \$350, while the remaining balance of \$3,650 is to be paid by the chapter 13 trustee through the Debtors’ confirmed plan.

4. Additional legal fees in excess of the “no look” fee remain due and owing to McElrath Legal Holdings, LLC in the amount of \$1,180.50. The remaining balance shall be paid as follows:

- a. Fees in the amount of \$500.00 shall be paid by the chapter 13 trustee to the extent such fees are provided for in the Debtors’ confirmed chapter 13 plan;
- b. Fees in the amount of \$680.50 are waived or deferred pursuant to the Application for Compensation.

5. The additional fees authorized by this *Order* may be paid through the Debtors’ chapter 13 plan provided that the Debtors amend their plan within 14 days of the date of this *Order* to increase the plan payment by an amount sufficient to provide for the increased fees. The fees shall be paid from the Debtors’ resources without decreasing the percentage or amount to be paid to other creditors through the plan.

BY THE COURT:



Gregory J. Taddonio drb
United States Bankruptcy Judge

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The Clerk shall record the Total Award of Compensation in the Amount of \$5,680.50 which includes \$5,180.50 in fees and \$500 in expenses.

In re:
James E. Skiff
Debtor

Case No. 19-20470-GLT
Chapter 13

District/off: 0315-2
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NONE

NOTICE CERTIFICATION

I, Gustava Winters, declare under the penalty of perjury that I have sent the attached document to the above listed entities in the manner shown, and prepared the Certificate of Notice and that it is true and correct to the best of my information and belief.

Meeting of Creditor Notices only (Official Form 309): Pursuant to Fed .R. Bank. P.2002(a)(1), a notice containing the complete Social Security Number (SSN) of the debtor(s) was furnished to all parties listed. This official court copy contains the redacted SSN as required by the bankruptcy rules and the Judiciary's privacy policies.

Date: Aug 10, 2022

Signature: /s/Gustava Winters

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